

12 Day 5 Star Vietnam Small Group Vacation

AVG Travels – World Travel Experts!

Local Knowledge. Vacations of a Lifetime.

Discover the world with AVG Travels, where our team of destination experts combines local knowledge with a passion for adventure to offer you the vacation of a lifetime. At AVG Travels, we not only provide an immersive travel experience, prioritise your comfort, safety, and enjoyment, but also showcase the beauty and cultural richness of stunning destinations.

Specialists in touring since 2015, AVG Travels, previously known as Asia Vacation Group, are proud to craft your itinerary and create memories that last a lifetime. Travel with confidence knowing your trip has been thoughtfully crafted by our experts with you personally in mind.

Australian Owned Company	Small Group Tour	Return Flights with Vietnam Airlines
Luxury 5-star accomodation		

Day by Day Itinerary

Hanoi, Sapa, Halong Bay, Hoi An, Ho Chi Minh City

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Hanoi’s Historical Sites:** Experience the charm of Hanoi, a city that seamlessly blends French colonial architecture with ancient oriental pagodas. Highlights include the Ho Chi Minh Complex, the One Pillar Pagoda, and the serene Temple of Literature.
- **Cruising Halong Bay:** Sail through the stunning Halong Bay on the Heritage Binh Chuan Cruise. Enjoy the sight of thousands of limestone islands rising from emerald waters.
- **Explore Sapa’s Tribal Villages: Discover the breathtaking landscapes of Sapa, home to vibrant ethnic minority communities. Trek through the scenic Muong Hoa Valley, visit Lao Chai and Ta Van villages, and learn about the traditions and lifestyles of the Black H’mong and Red Dao people.**
- **Hoi An’s Ancient Town:** Stroll through the charming streets of Hoi An, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Hoi An’s well-preserved architecture and traditional culture provide a captivating glimpse into Vietnam’s past.
- **Mekong Delta Adventure:** Explore the lush landscapes and vibrant culture of the Mekong Delta. Cruise along the Ben Tre River, visit local workshops, and cycle through picturesque rice fields. This day trip offers a unique insight into the rural life of Southern Vietnam, highlighting the region’s rich agricultural heritage.

ITINERARY

Day 1: Home - Hanoi

Welcome to Hanoi, Vietnam’s bustling colonial capital!

Upon arrival at Noi Bai Airport, you’ll be warmly greeted and transferred to your centrally located 5-star hotel.

Settle in and get ready for an unforgettable journey through Vietnam.

Meals: In-flight meals

Accommodation: Grand Mercure Hanoi 5* or similar

Day 2: Hanoi City tour

Today, explore the rich history and culture of Hanoi.

Visit the Ho Chi Minh Complex, where you'll see Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum, his stilt house, and the Presidential Palace. Next, marvel at the unique One Pillar Pagoda and explore the serene Temple of Literature, Vietnam's first university.

Discover the tranquil West Lake and the historic Tran Quoc Pagoda. Choose between the History Museum or the Ethnology Museum for a deeper understanding of Vietnam's heritage.

End your day with a traditional Water Puppet Performance, a unique art form originating from Southeast Asia's wet-rice culture.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Grand Mercure Hanoi 5* or similar

Day 3: Hanoi - Halong Bay -

Depart for Halong Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Board the Heritage Binh Chuan Cruise and enjoy a delicious seafood lunch as you sail past thousands of limestone islands rising from the emerald waters.

In the afternoon, explore the picturesque areas around Frog Lagoon and Lan Ha Bay. Enjoy sunset cocktails and a gourmet dinner on board.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Heritage Cruise Binh Chuan Cat Ba Archipelago 5* or similar

Day 4: - Halong Bay - Hanoi

Start your day with a Tai Chi session on deck as the sun rises over Halong Bay. After a light breakfast, visit the Dark & Bright cave by traditional rowing bamboo boats.

Marvel at the serene lake surrounded by lush trees and stone cliffs.

Return to the cruise for brunch before heading back to Hanoi.

Meals: Brunch

Accommodation: Grand Mercure Hanoi 5* or similar

Day 5: Hanoi - Sapa

Journey to Sapa and arrive in the afternoon.

Discover Lao Chai village, Muong Hoa Valley, and Black H'mong village. Enjoy a soft-trekking experience to Ta Van village, where you'll be captivated by the stunning landscapes and local culture.

Please noted that today requires comfortable walking shoes as the trek will take approximately 3 hours.

Meal: Breakfast

Accommodation: Silk Path Grand Resort & Spa 5* or similar

Day 6: Sapa – Tribal Villages Excursions

Continue exploring Sapa's local life on foot. Trek to Ta Phin Village and immerse yourself in the culture of the Red Dao people.

Spend the afternoon at leisure, taking in the beautiful surroundings of Sapa.

Please noted that today requires comfortable walking shoes as the trek will take approximately 3 hours.

Meal: Breakfast

Accommodation: Silk Path Grand Resort & Spa 5* or similar

Day 7: Sapa - Drive to Hanoi - Flight to Danang – Hoi An

Return to Hanoi and catch a flight to Danang. Upon arrival, transfer to your luxe resort in Hoi An. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

Meal: Breakfast

Accommodation: Bliss Hoi An Beach Resort & Wellness 5* or similar

Day 8: Hoi An Walking Tour

Explore Hoi An on foot, visiting an old merchant's home, Hoi An Market, a local Chinese temple and the Japanese Covered Bridge.

The bridge was first constructed here in the 1590s by the Japanese community to link them with the Chinese

quarters. Over the centuries the ornamentation has remained relatively faithful to the original Japanese design. The French flattened out the roadway for cars, but the original arched shape was restored in 1986.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Bliss Hoi An Beach Resort & Wellness 5* or similar

Day 9: Hoi An

Enjoy a free day in Hoi An or choose from optional tours.

Meal: Breakfast

Accommodation: Bliss Hoi An Beach Resort & Wellness 5* or similar

Day 10: Hoi An - Danang - Flight to Ho Chi Minh City

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for the short flight to Ho Chi Minh City. Upon arrival, enjoy an orientation tour through Ho Chi Minh City's bustling streets enroute to the hotel.

Next up, visit the War Remnants Museum, learn about Vietnam's recent history at Reunification Palace, visit the nearby neo-Romanesque Notre Dame Cathedral and the City's Centre Post Office before passing by the ornate Opera Theatre and the City Hall.

Finally, end up at the Ben Thanh Market, where vendors display a vast array of goods and handicrafts, appealing to every taste.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Rex Hotel Saigon 5* or similar

Day 11: Ho Chi Minh City - - Mekong Delta Day Trip

Explore the Mekong Delta. Cruise along the Ben Tre River, visit a brickwork and coconut processing workshop, and see a local village making sleep mattresses. Enjoy a motor cart ride or cycle through green rice fields and vegetable plains.

After a riverside lunch, row through the water palm creek before returning to Saigon later this afternoon.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Rex Hotel Saigon 5* or similar

Day 12: Ho Chi Minh City - Home

After breakfast and at the appropriate time transfer to the airport for your flight home.

We hope you enjoyed your trip with Asia Vacation Group.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: On Plane

INCLUSIONS

- **Return flights from Australia with Vietnam Airlines**
- 2 domestic flights from Hanoi – Danang and Danang – Ho Chi Minh City
- Return airport transfers
- Small group with a maximum of 16 travellers
- 11 nights in luxury 5-star accommodation
- Dedicated transportation in comfortable, air-conditioned vehicles
- Daily Breakfast Buffet, 2 lunches, 1 dinner
- Fully escorted by English-speaking local guides
- In-depth sightseeing and all entry fees as per the itinerary

EXCLUSIONS

- Vietnam Visa

- Meals and drinks not mentioned in the itinerary
- Tipping for driver and tour guide
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance highly recommend when you travel.
- Trip delay or interruption by airline schedule change
- Extra cost or missing tour caused by flight delay or cancel
- Any service not clearly mentioned in the program

DEPARTURE DATES: PRICE IS QUOTED IN \$ PER PERSON

DEPART AU	RETURN DATE	PRICE	NOTE	RESERVE YOUR SEAT
Monday 23 Dec 2024	Friday 03 Jan 2025	\$4,999		Book
Monday 06 Jan 2025	Friday 17 Jan 2025	\$4,699		Book
Monday 17 Feb 2025	Friday 28 Feb 2025	\$3,899		Book
Monday 10 Mar 2025	Friday 21 Mar 2025	\$3,899		Book
Monday 24 Mar 2025	Friday 04 Apr 2025	\$4,199		Book
Monday 07 Apr 2025	Friday 18 Apr 2025	\$4,199		Book
Monday 21 Apr 2025	Friday 02 May 2025	\$3,999		Book
Monday 05 May 2025	Friday 16 May 2025	\$3,799		Book
Monday 19 May 2025	Friday 30 May 2025	\$3,699		Book
Monday 09 Jun 2025	Friday 20 Jun 2025	\$4,099		Book
Monday 23 Jun 2025	Friday 04 Jul 2025	\$4,099		Book
Monday 14 Jul 2025	Friday 25 Jul 2025	\$4,099		Book
Monday 04 Aug 2025	Friday 15 Aug 2025	\$3,799		Book
Monday 18 Aug 2025	Friday 29 Aug 2025	\$3,799		Book
Monday 08 Sep 2025	Friday 19 Sep 2025	\$3,899		Book

DEPART AU	RETURN DATE	PRICE	NOTE	RESERVE YOUR SEAT
Monday 22 Sep 2025	Friday 03 Oct 2025	\$4,099		Book
Monday 06 Oct 2025	Friday 17 Oct 2025	\$4,099		Book
Monday 20 Oct 2025	Friday 31 Oct 2025	\$3,899		Book
Monday 10 Nov 2025	Friday 21 Nov 2025	\$3,699		Book
Monday 24 Nov 2025	Friday 05 Dec 2025	\$3,899		Book
Monday 23 Feb 2026	Friday 06 Mar 2026	\$4,299		Book
Monday 23 Mar 2026	Friday 03 Apr 2026	\$4,599		Book
Monday 20 Apr 2026	Friday 01 May 2026	\$4,399		Book
Monday 18 May 2026	Friday 29 May 2026	\$4,099		Book
Monday 15 Jun 2026	Friday 26 Jun 2026	\$4,499		Book
Monday 13 Jul 2026	Friday 24 Jul 2026	\$4,499		Book
Monday 10 Aug 2026	Friday 21 Aug 2026	\$4,199		Book
Monday 07 Sep 2026	Friday 18 Sep 2026	\$4,299		Book
Monday 05 Oct 2026	Friday 16 Oct 2026	\$4,499		Book
Monday 02 Nov 2026	Friday 13 Nov 2026	\$4,099		Book
Monday 30 Nov 2026	Friday 11 Dec 2026	\$4,299		Book

OPTIONAL TOURS



Golden Bridge Tour
\$183



Hanoi Street Food (Dinner included)
\$85



Dinner on Saigon River Cruise
\$135

FINE PRINT

FLIGHT INFORMATION

This package includes return flights from Sydney/Melbourne.

Flights from Adelaide, Brisbane and Perth attract a **\$400 surcharge**.

Airline Selection: We book the best available airlines for your journey, which may include a mix of full-service and low-cost carriers. Specific airline requests can be made at the time of purchase. This includes upgrades to your preferred carrier, premium economy or business class cabins or specific seats. Whilst we will try our best, not all requests can be confirmed.

Flight Conditions: Flights may not be direct and could involve a maximum of two transits.

Ticketing Information: Once issued, tickets are non-refundable. Changes are subject to airline rules, airline change fees, and an AVG Travels p change fee of \$250 per person.

Passenger Details: Please ensure all traveller names are as per passports. This includes all middle names. Errors may incur a name change fee of \$150 plus airline charges, or require the purchase of a new ticket.

Flight Schedule Changes: Any changes or cancellations to airline schedules are outside our control. We recommend staying updated with airline schedules before departure. Additional expenses for extended transits or alternative arrangements are the traveller's responsibility.

Internal Airfares: Local flights included in your itinerary may utilise low-cost carriers without meals or entertainment. Checked baggage is included; any additional baggage fees are payable at check-in.

Booking Considerations: If travelling with others on separate bookings, we may not be able to guarantee all flights are the same due to availability.

Luggage and Fees: You are responsible for your luggage at all times. Excess baggage fees, if incurred, are payable directly to the airline. All tickets will include 20 kg checked baggage per person, plus 7 kg of hand luggage. We recommend travelling with a max 20kg per person due to restrictions on internal flights (where applicable), as well as coach and train transportation. Please note, you will be responsible for handling your luggage at all times as the services of porters are not included.

No-Show Policy: Missing your flight may result in fees including a no-show fee, airline reissue fee, and possible new ticket purchase. AVG Travels charges a \$250 admin fee for re-booking assistance.

Price Adjustments: Prices are final at the time of ticketing. Any subsequent changes may result in additional costs due to factors beyond our control, such as currency fluctuations or airline surcharges.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Land Only Packages

Transfers ARE NOT included for land only packages.

Please note that customers purchasing the land only option need to make their own way to the joining hotel and the airport at the end of the tour. Asia Vacation Group can assist with purchasing private transfers if choosing the land only option.

Tipping

A friendly reminder that tipping is not included in your package. Tipping is AU\$10/person per day. Tipping is collected by agent before travelling or the day of your arrival.

Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences however any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement

Single supplement is **\$1,199 per person** in addition to the twin share price.

Paired Solo Traveler

Not available.

Triple Share

Upon request except for cruises

Group Size

Min 2 Max 16 Travellers

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is recommended to protect yourself against the unexpected. In addition to the support that a policy may provide, you may be asked to present a copy of your travel insurance documentation while traveling.

We have partnered with NibTravel Insurance to offer our customers competitive rates for their travel insurance. You can book Comprehensive or Essentials cover for your domestic, international or multi-trip journeys simply with us.

Visa & Passport information

It is the traveller's responsibility to ensure they have a valid passport. The passport must be valid for a minimum of six months from the intended date of return and must have more than 2 blank pages. Visa conditions are subject to change at short notice, so it is the responsibility of the traveller to consult with the relevant consulates to ensure they have the appropriate visa for entry to the countries being visited.

Vietnam

All Australian passport holders require a visa to enter Vietnam. You should apply for your electronic visa (e-Visa) online at least 30 days prior to departure. Please check details at <https://evisa.xuatnhapcanh.gov.vn/web/guest/home>

AVG Travels can assist you with the visa process. Please speak to our reservations team for assistance. The visa and handling cost is \$160 per person for a single entry visa.(max 30 day stay)

Please note that these details are subject to change without notice. We recommend visiting <https://www.smarttraveller.gov.au/> for up-to-date information in terms of entry requirements.

Children

Children must be 5 years old or above and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

Tour Documentation

Final documentation, including e-tickets and hotel details, will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

Tour Length

The total length of the tour in days includes time spent in flight and is subject to change depending on the flight schedule, please refer to the day by day itinerary for the time spent on land.

HOW TO EXTEND YOUR STAY

You can enhance your holiday by arriving or departing before or after the tour. On this tour you can choose from the following options:

Pre Tour Accommodation

- \$280 per room, per night including one-way airport transfer based on double/twin room share

Post Tour Accommodation

- \$250 per room, per night including one-way airport transfer based on double/twin room share

Please select the number of extra nights required in the 'Additional Nights Accommodation' field when making

your purchase. The additional cost for these arrangements will be added to your final payment invoice and are subject to availability.

AVG Travels

Australia Call: 1800 229 339

New Zealand Call: 0800 220 920

US Call: 1 888 440 6001